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607 U. S. Court House,
Foley Square,
New York 7, N. Y.

August 29, 1951.

Miss Lillian N. Myers,
11 Maple Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Miss Myers:

I would like to acknowledge receipt of your communication of recent date.

Your interest and courtesy in furnishing information to this office is most appreciated.

Very truly yours,


EDWARD SCHEIDT,
Special Agent in Charge.

JWD:DJG

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

DATE: April 12, 1956

FROM : SA's [REDACTED] & J. WALLACE LaPRADE

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE - ISRAEL

Source advised SA J. WALLACE LaPRADE on 4/4/56, that there were about 350 individuals listed as employees of the Development Corporation for Israel. (The source had originally estimated the employees as about 1,000.) Source stated that JOSEPH RAFFELI had taken a tour of Israel and was due back in the U.S. about 4/7/56. The source is to be evaluated as "who is in a position to furnish reliable information."

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Source advised SA's J. WALLACE LaPRADE & [REDACTED] on 4/12/56, [REDACTED] that the Development Corporation for Israel was preparing for a big affair at Grossingers at the end of this month and were going to utilize Admiral MAXWELL of the Board of Appeals as the main speaker and had also been in contact with EDDIE GANTOR regarding the affair. The source stated that JOSEPH RAFFELI had returned to the U.S. from his trip to Israel earlier this week.

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~~SOURCE STATED THAT MAX INFORMATION REGARDING [REDACTED] IS UNRELIABLE~~

cc: (1) [REDACTED]
(1) 97-1245 Development Corp. for Israel
(1) 65-15729 JOSEPH E. RAFFELI

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 4/30/56

FROM : SA, J. Wallace La Prade

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC (97-1245)

DATE: 4/30/56

FROM : SA, J. Wallace LaPrade

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ISRAEL, formerly
American Financial and Development Corp. for Israel
REGISTRATION ACT.

Attention is invited to serial 21 of instant case, a letter from the Bureau dated May 20, 1952, which instructs that the Bureau be advised of any information that subject is engaging in any political activity.

Attention is also invited to serial 20, a Department letter dated May 5, 1952 which set out that subject's registration was not being required at that time but pointed out that the exemption was available only so long as the Corporation did not engage in any political activity as defined by Rule 100 of the Act on behalf of the State of Israel. In this letter the criminal division set out a meaning of Rule 100 such as attempting to influence the foreign policy of the United States, endeavoring to procure the enactment or repeal of any legislation affecting the State of Israel, or dissemination of any political propaganda on behalf of the State of Israel.

In view of the current attempts on the part of Israel to influence the U. S. to furnish arms to that country and inasmuch as officials from the State of Israel make political speeches for promotion of sale of bonds of subject it is recommended that this case be reopened. It is felt that this investigation should be directed toward bringing this case up to date and ascertaining whether the acts of Political Leaders in the US on behalf of the state of Israel come within the meaning of Rule 100.

Chief of
Re Open Case
Origin *New York*
4/30/56

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TO : SAC(97-1245)

FROM : SA, J. Maltese 2d. Grade

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT CORP. FOR ISRAEL
Registration Act

DATE: 5/5/46

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The aforementioned telephone number is listed to DEVELOPMENT CORP. FOR ISRAEL, NYC according to the current telephone directory.

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TO : SAC (97-1245)

DATE: 5/23/56

FROM : SA, J. Wallace La Prade

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT CORP. FOR ISRAEL
Registration Act.

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] and the writer on 5/21/56
that the following are employed by the subject:

[redacted]

[redacted]

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HELIK ALBERT

[redacted]

JOSEPH RAFFAELI, Bronx Division

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Religious Group

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Personnel

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Trades Dept.

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THE NEW YORK TIMES, SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 1956.

ISRAEL BOND UNIT
RAISES \$42,318,550

Sales in This Country Since
Drive Started in 1951
Reach \$216,595,450

The Israel Bond Organization sold \$42,318,550 in bonds in 1955. The receipts were used for consolidating Israel's economy. Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice president of the organization, made the report last night as the board of governors opened a two-day meeting at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel.

Dr. Schwartz said that the 1955 campaign results represented a 20 per cent increase over figures for the previous year,

and brought to \$216,595,450 the total of bonds sold since the drive began in May, 1951. The Israel bond campaign was started in that year by Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion.

In his report, Dr. Schwartz said that 100,000 bonds were sold in 1955, bringing the total outstanding to 800,000. He said 60 per cent of the 1955 purchasers had never owned any Israel bonds before.

He attributed the 1955 results to three major factors:

1. Popular response to the crisis which confronts Israel at the present time.

2. Broad unity in the American Jewish community behind the Israel bond drive.

3. The profound impact on Americans of the visits here of number of Israeli personalities, particularly Foreign Minister Moshe Sharrett.

Mr. Sharrett, who recently returned to Israel, toured this

country for the Israel bond drive, and also spoke for the United Jewish Appeal drive. Presiding at the meeting was Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, spiritual leader in Cleveland. Dr. Silver recently accepted the chairmanship of the board of governors.

In another report, Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia, chairman of the Guardians of Israel, a branch of the bond organization, said that the enrollment of trustees of the Israel Bond Organization rose 25 per cent from 1954 to 1955, while the enrollment of guardians of Israel increased by 13 per cent.

The Guardians of Israel constitute an honor group whose members buy \$1,000 or more of Israel bonds, while trustees buy \$10,000 or more of Israel bonds.

Mrs. Michael A. Stavitsky of Newark, N. J., national chairman of the women's division, reported on her division's activities last year.

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THE NEW YORK TIMES, MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1956.

Zionists Appeal to Eisenhower To Back U. S. Arms for Israel

An appeal to President Eisenhower to use his executive powers to strengthen the security of Israel with arms was made yesterday by Zionist leaders.

This appeal was coupled with a sharp denunciation of Communist designs in the Middle East. Concern was also voiced over the increasing threat of war there owing to the shipment of arms to the Arab states.

Abba Eban, Israel's Ambassador to the United States and chief Israeli spokesman at the United Nations, told the board of governors of the Israel Bond Organization that peace in the Middle East "will not grow out of a grotesquely distorted imbalance of arms such as that now being created to Israel's disadvantage."

"Such an imbalance is more likely," he said at the final session of a two-day meeting at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel, "to produce a danger of war than a prospect of peace."

The organization's board adopted a goal of \$75,000,000 in Israel bond sales this year. In a message to the meeting, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion of Israel asserted Israel's belief that "the maintenance of peace is preferable even to victory in war."

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Zionist leader and chairman of the board of governors of the bond organization, called attention to the seriousness of Israel's position "because the Western powers and the Soviet Union are now trying to outbid one another in their avowed devotion and sup-

port of the Arab states who are committed to the destruction of Israel."

The executive body of the Zionist Organization of America, meeting at the Statler Hotel, in its appeal to President Eisenhower to safeguard Israel's security said that the shipment of arms to Israel would discourage "aggressive designs by the Arab Communist axis."

This appeal, embodied in a unanimously adopted resolution, asserted that Israel's people, survivors of totalitarian oppression, and refugees from Arab lands, are threatened with annihilation by the Communist-backed Arab dictatorships.

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the executive committee, warned the United States Government against sacrificing Israel, "a loyal friend and potential ally, to satisfy a would-be aggressor."

Dr. Neumann also warned on the forthcoming visit to Washington of Sir Anthony Eden, the British Prime Minister, "to sell the American Government his own special brand of appeasement."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (97-1245)

DATE: May 9, 1956

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ISRAEL
REGISTRATION ACT

[REDACTED] was interviewed on 4/26/56 by SA's J. WALLACE LA PRADÉ & [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and had nothing of an important nature to report.

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[REDACTED] who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised SA's J. WALLACE LA PRADÉ & [REDACTED] orally on 5/9/56, that the subject was arranging to hold a national or international conference at the subjects office at 215 Fourth Avenue, New York, N.Y. during the month of May 1956. Source stated that the arrangements for this conference were held to the knowledge of a minimum number of people, and the exact date was unknown. Source stated that the subject had been in contact with Gov. MCKELDEN of Maryland and [REDACTED] in an apparant attempt to secure a prominent person to replace the ~~speaker~~ deceased ADVIN BARKLEY as main speaker at one of their bond drives.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (97-1245)

FROM : SA J. WALLACE LA PRADE

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR
ISRAEL, formerly American
Financial and Development
Corporation for Israel
REGISTRATION ACT

DATE: 6/28/56

Reference is made to SA J. WALLACE LA PRADE'S memo dated 4/30/56, wherein it was recommended that this case be reopened, and investigation be conducted to determine whether subject is engaged in any activities coming within Rule 100, such as attempting to influence the foreign policy of the US, endeavoring to procure the enactment or ~~repeal~~ of any legislation affecting the State of Israel, or dissemination of any political propaganda in the State of Israel.

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It will be noted that a review of the information furnished by CSNY 1, and the information contained in the record of the Certificate of Incorporation for the subject does not set out any information indicating that subject is engaged in any political activities ~~and~~ violation of Rule 100, of the Registration Act. A review of newspaper clippings available concerning subject failed to develop any employees of subject who have been engaged in any activities as defined by Rule 100, ~~also~~ various officials of the Israeli Government such as ABBA EBAN, have made various speeches in behalf of subject and in an attempt possibly to influence the policy of the US Government.

In view of the fact that this review has not developed any information that specific employees of subject are engaged in activities, ~~in~~ violation of Rule 100, it is recommended that this case be placed in a closed status. In the event any information is developed indicating that subject is acting in violation of Rule 100, consideration will be given in reopening this case.

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D+B dated June 9, 1955

Source

CSNYI

Development Corp for Israel
215 Fourth Ave
14th + 15th floors
N.Y. 3, N.Y.

Letter 105-1296

ABRAHAM FEINBERG Pres,
JACK WEILER Sec & Treas
Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Vice Pres.

Board of Governors: 100 members.

Chartered New York 3/21/55 authorized
capital 200 shares no par value common
stock.

Corporation formed for purpose of selling land
for the State of Israel.

It is noted that the corporation is currently
conducted by the American Financial and
Development Corporation for Israel which
corporation functioning but organization
and is now inactive.

Officers and directors are prominent business men, in financial, industrial and commercial and professional circles throughout the United States.

Financin & Devel for Israel the predecessor, was chartered New York - Dec 21, 1950 authorized capital 1,000 shares common stock no par value functioned until being succeeded by subject

Operation - Location

Corporation was formed for purpose of selling bonds for the State of Israel. Two types of bonds are offered; (1) interest bearing bonds bearing 4% interest over fifteen years starting from May 1954. (2) Capital appreciation bonds denominated ten years from date of purchase. Both types of bonds are non-transferable and non-assignable except in special instances; each bond is chargeable by the registered owner for a fully

Transferable bearer bond. Either type

This bond is issued in part of a three year program for dev. of Israel for Economic Development of the State. Bonds are the direct obligations of the State of Israel, the principal and interest being payable in legal terms of the United States.

The principal of all bonds and interest on coupon bonds will be payable at an office or agency of the State of Israel and in any of the following cities: New York, N.Y.; Chicago, Ill.; San Francisco, Cal. The principal of all bonds and interest on coupon bonds will be sold paid free of all taxes now or any time hereafter imposed by the State of Israel or any other taxing authority therein except when the bonds are beneficially owned by persons residing in or exclusively a resident of the State of Israel.

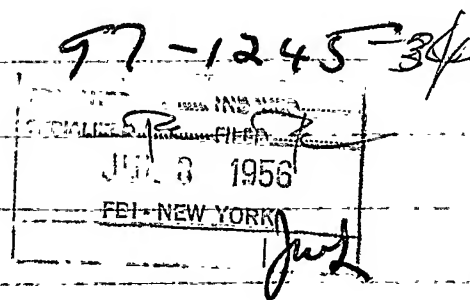
This receipting office in 51 principal cities throughout the United States including

Newark, N.J., Chicago, Ill., Des Moines,
Iowa, and St. Louis, Mo., and
Baltimore, Maryland and Jamaica, New York.

Financial Information
Interviewed June 8, 1955

DAVID ANTON, legal adviser to this
corporation advised that financial statements
are not issued for publication on the
contention that general commercial credit
is not a factor. A satisfactory
internal position was stated as being
maintained. Further info. was not available.

First Natl City Bk of N.Y.
10 Irving Pl, Br



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County Clerk's Office, New York County, Run 117
Supreme Court Bldg, Foley Sq.

Certificate of Incorporation 3444 for 1955
in name of Development Corporation for
Israel.

Filed 3/21/55

attys Goldstein, Judd,
& Gurfein

655 Madison Ave
NY 21, NY.

Set out: "We, the undersigned, desiring
to form a corporation pursuant to Article I
of the Stock Corporation Law of the State of New York,
do hereby make, subscribe and acknowledge
this certificate for that purpose.

First: The name of the proposed corporation
shall be Development Corporation for
Israel.

Second: The purposes for which it is
to be formed are:

A. To acquire by purchase or otherwise
hold, sell, or otherwise dispose of,

pledge, hypothecate, exchange, underwrite and deal in and with, as principal, agent or broker, and or ~~any~~ commission or otherwise, stocks, bonds, notes, debentures, mortgages, or other evidences of indebtedness, and obligations and securities, and certificates or receipts of any kind representing or evidencing any interest in any of the foregoing issued or guaranteed by the State of Israel or by any governmental authority or instrumentality or municipality or any political or administrative subdivision or department of the State of Israel, and while the owner or holder of any stocks, bonds, notes, debentures, mortgages, evidences of indebtedness, obligations, securities, certificates or receipts, to exercise all the rights of ownership with respect thereto.

(B. To develop and encourage trade & commerce with the State of Israel; to lend and afford financial aid to

its enterprises and to assist the development of the economic resources of The State of Israel so far as permitted by the laws of the United States and the laws of the State of New York.

C. To purchase, take, hire, lease or otherwise acquire, and to own, use, hold, control, sell, convey, exchange, mortgage, maintain, manage, develop, improve, cultivate and otherwise handle, deal in and dispose of real estate and property, improved or unimproved, or any interests or rights therein, whether situated or located in the State of New York, or elsewhere at any place in the United States or other parts of the world, without limit as to amount.

D. To borrow money for its corporate purposes and to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bonds, debentures, or other obligations from time to time, for the purchase of property or for any purpose in or about the business.

of the corporation, and if deemed proper, to secure the payment of any such obligations by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust, or otherwise.

E. To enter into, perform, make and carry out contracts of every sort and kind which may be necessary or convenient for the business of this corporation, or business of a similar nature, with any person, firm or corporation, private, public or municipal, and with any government or public authorities or any foreign government so far as and to the extent that the same may be done and performed by a corporation organized under the Stock Corporation Law.

F. To make and enter into any agreement not repugnant to the laws of the State of New York - with any foreign government or municipal authority, which may be deemed for the benefit of the corporation, to obtain from any such authority or otherwise acquire

in purchase, lease, assignment or in any lawful manner any powers, rights, privileges, mandates, franchises, and concessions, not repugnant to such laws which the corporation may deem desirable; and to exercise and exploit the same, and to undertake and prosecute any business dependent thereon.

6. To aid by loan, subsidy, guarantee or in any other lawful manner whatsoever, any individual, firm, corporation or association whose bonds, stocks, or securities or other obligations are in any manner, either directly or indirectly held or guaranteed by the corporation; to do any and all other acts tending to the preservation, protection, improvement or enhancement in value of any such stocks, bonds, securities or other obligations, and to do all and any such acts or things designed to accomplish any such

purpose, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of New York.

H. To conduct and carry on, its business in any branch or branches thereof, in any state or territory of the United States, or in any foreign country, in conformity with the laws of said state, territory or foreign country, and to have and maintain in said state, territory or foreign country, business offices or agencies.

I. To do all such things as may be suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes, the attainment of any of the objects, or the furtherance of any of the powers hereinafter set forth, either alone or in connection with other corporations, firms or individuals and either as principals or agents, and to do every act or acts, thing or things, incidental

or appurtenant to or growing out of
or connected with the foresaid
objects, purposes or powers, or any
of them.

J. To carry out and exercise any or all
of the foregoing purposes and powers both
in the State of New York - and in any
other state or Territory of the United States
and in any foreign countries.

K. The foregoing clauses shall be construed as
objects and powers in furtherance and
not in limitation of the general powers
conferred by the laws of the State of New York;
and it is hereby expressly provided that the
foregoing enumeration of specific powers
shall not be held to limit or
restrict in any manner the powers
of this corporation, and that this
corporation may do all and everything
necessary, suitable or proper for the
accomplishment of any of the purposes or
objects herein enumerated, either alone

or in association with other corporations, firms or individuals, to the same extent and as fully as individuals might or could do as principals, agents, contractors or otherwise.

Third: The total number of shares which may be issued by the corporation is two hundred (200), all of which are to be without par value. Such shares without par value may be issued from time to time for such consideration as from time to time may be fixed by the board of directors.

Fourth: The capital of the corporation shall be at least equal to the sum of the aggregate par value of all issued shares having par value, plus the aggregate amount of consideration received by the corporation for the issuance of shares without par value, plus such amounts, as, from

time to time, by resolution of the Board of Directors, may be transferred thereto.

Fifth: The office of the Corp. is to be located in the City of New York, County of New York, State of New York.

The persons to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process in any action or proceeding against the Corp., which may be served upon him, is 90 Goldwater, Judd & Gurshein, 655 Madison Ave, New York - 21, N.Y.

Sixth: The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

Seventh: The number of Directors shall not be less than three (3) nor more than fifteen (15). Directors need not be stockholders.

Eight: The names and post-office addresses of the Directors until the first annual meeting of the stockholders are:

| Name | Post office Address |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| ELSIE SIMON | 157 West 79th St NY NY |
| EMMA WEISS | 28-25 34th St, Astoria, NY |
| EILEEN URBAN | 2441 Webb Ave, NY, NY |

Ninth: Name and post office address of each subscriber of this certificate of Incorporation and a statement of the number of shares of stock which each agrees to take in the Corporation are: same as "eight", common share each.

Tenth: All of the subscribers of the certificate are of full age, at least two-thirds of them are citizens of the United States but least one of them is a resident of the State of New York, and at least one of the persons named as a Director is a citizen of the United States and

a resident of the State of New York,
Eleventh: The Secretary of State is
designated as the agent of the
Corporation upon whom process in
any action or proceeding against
the Corporation may be served.

In Witness Whereof we have
made & subscribed this
Certificate this 18th day of
March, 1955.

Elmer Simon
James Weiss
John Weber

SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

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J. WALLACE LA PRADE, SA

[REDACTED]

This source was contacted on 7/16/56. Source advised that due to vacations, the activities of the Development Corporation for Israel have been limited, and no developments have come to her attention. Source stated that [REDACTED]

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The matter of having source attempt to obtain information from [REDACTED] concerning individuals known to [REDACTED] was mentioned to the source. Source advised that [REDACTED] is going on vacation for one month starting 8/1/56. Source stated she would attempt to obtain further information from [REDACTED] as to individuals [REDACTED] Israel organizations and establishments in the NYC area.

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The source further noted that it has been rumored that possibly in October of 1956, the entire organization of the Development Corporation for Israel currently located at 215 Fourth Avenue, NYC, may relocate to larger quarters.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

DATE: August 27, 1956

FROM :

SUBJECT: SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Source, (who is in a position to furnish reliable information) was contacted on 8/13/56, by SA [REDACTED]. The source advised that there was very little activity at the Development Corporation for Israel, due to large number of personnel being on summer vacation.

The source advised that she did not know and had never heard the name of the following:
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The source was contacted on 8/24/56, by SA [REDACTED]. The source advised that activity at the Development Corporation for Israel was still at a low ebb due to the vacations, but that a conference was to be called for the end of September 1956, the conference to be possibly held at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C. Source asserted that a definite date and location for this conference would be secured in the near future.

The source advised that she did not know and had never heard the name of the following:
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

(6) cc: [REDACTED]

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SA J. WALLACE LA PRADE
[REDACTED]

This source was contacted on 9/4/56 by SAS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and J. WALLACE LA PRADE. This informant should be
characterized as one who is in a position to furnish
reliable information.

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The source was [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Source advised that [REDACTED] is still employed
by "Bonds for Israel."

Source stated that [REDACTED] is still working for
"Bonds for Israel" [REDACTED]

The source advised that she did not have any information
concerning the American Christian Palestine Committee, and
as far as she knew, she could not recall anyone having
contacted that organization.

The source stated that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] "Bonds for Israel," has recently
contacted Congressman JAMES ROOSEVELT, Governor MC KELDIN,
of Maryland, and Judge SOBOLOFF, Washington, D.C. Source
stated that all of these individuals were contacted in an
attempt to get them to make speeches to aid in promoting
sales of "Bonds for Israel."

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Source advised that she had never heard of anyone
by the name, [REDACTED] A photograph of this individual
was displayed to source, and she did not recognize the photograph
as being anyone she had ever seen. The source said that
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worked in the Women's Division of "Bonds for Israel."

Source stated that approximately two months ago,

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[redacted] The source added that [redacted] left the United States shortly thereafter, and as far as she knows, her husband has also left the United States.

Source further stated that she had spoken to [redacted] concerning whether [redacted] knows any individuals employed in any capacity at any other Israeli organizations or establishments in the NYC area. She stated that specifically in [redacted]

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[redacted] she had asked [redacted] whether [redacted] knew anyone employed at [redacted] [redacted] stated that she did not. Source stated that she did not know of any [redacted] [redacted] "Bonds for Israel" to any other Israeli organizations or establishments in the NYC area. She stated that she would be alert for any such information.

SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

10/8/56

SA *W* WALLACE LA PRADE (#1)

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This source was contacted on 9/21/56, 9/28/56, 10/4/56, and 10/5/56, by SAS *W* WALLACE LA PRADE and [REDACTED]

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On 9/21/56, inquiry was made of the source as to whether [REDACTED] was known to her. Source stated that she did not know [REDACTED] At that time the source pointed out that [REDACTED] the Development Corporation for Israel to any other Israeli establishments or organizations in NYC.

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On 9/28/56, the informant stated that an effort was being made to obtain leaflets and pamphlets concerning confidential proposals of the Development Corporation for Israel.

On 10/4/56, the source stated that these pamphlets had been obtained.

On 10/5/56, the source stated that additional pamphlets had been obtained and would be made available to contacting agents on 10/8/56.

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Date: 11/8/56

Transmit the following message via TELETYPE

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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (97-1245) (TIME: ELEVEN TWENTYFIVE A.M.)

TO: BUREAU

RE: DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR ISRAEL, FORMERLY
AMERICAN FINANCIAL AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR
ISRAEL SEMICOLON REGISTRATION ACT. BUFILE NINE SEVEN
DASH THREE ZERO THREE EIGHT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO IS IN A POSITION TO FURNISH
RELIABLE INFORMATION, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NOT KNOWN
TO SOURCE. SOURCE STATED SUBJECT ORGANIZATION IS QUITE
CONCERNED OVER WHETHER ISRAELI FUNDS WILL BE FROZEN
IN THIS COUNTRY. SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SUBJECT, HAD BEEN CONTACTED
BY [REDACTED] SUBJECT, AND THEY

[REDACTED] HAVE THE MONEY OF SUBJECT OUTSIDE THE
COUNTRY. NO ADDITIONAL INFO DEVELOPED BY SOURCE.
BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY ADDITIONAL INFO DEVELOPED
RE ABOVE. FOR INFO.

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1 [REDACTED]
1 NY 65-15150
(1) NY 97-1245

JWE [REDACTED] (#1)
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1 - SUPERVISOR (#1)

Approved: [REDACTED] Special Agent in Charge

Sent [REDACTED] M Per [REDACTED]

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2 Israeli Bond Officers Opened

Two new offices for the sale of Israeli bonds have been opened in Brooklyn. They are in Adath Israel, 485 Hopkinson Ave., and at 600 Brighton Beach Ave. District Attorney Silver is chairman of the borough bond drive.

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11/23/56

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

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SUBJECT:

Enclosed herewith is a blank memorandum
original and seven copies. This memorandum concerns
[redacted] who was described as the Brooklyn County
Republican Leader.

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This is being furnished for information.

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SAC [REDACTED]

11/23/56

J. Wallace La Prade, SA

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[REDACTED]

This source was contacted on the 29th of October 1956. Source had no information concerning [REDACTED] The source was asked to attempt to ascertain whether a list of Israeli Students in US [REDACTED] Source advised on 10/30/56 that she was [REDACTED] and as far as she could ascertain [REDACTED] no such list [REDACTED] for Israel. On 10/29,30/56 source advised no information had been developed by her indicating [REDACTED] [REDACTED] The source was alerted on 10/30/56 to furnish the writer or SA [REDACTED] [REDACTED] any info received concerning the Israeli Invasion of Egypt.

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on 11/8/56 source advised that a secret conference was to be held regarding bonds by the Development Corp for Israel. Source also gave info re Development Corp on 11/16/56 which is in 97-1245 and 65-15150.

During the time this source has been contacted there has been no info developed indicating mental instability, personal weaknesses, domestic difficulties, untrustworthiness, unreliability or other similar problems.

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OFFICE MEMO

To.- SAC (105-3303)

FROM- SA V.W. LaPrade

New York 21, New York
December 26, 1956

Subject: Israeli Consulate
IS- ISRAEL

Re: Development Corporation for
Israel, Also Known As:
"Bonds for Israel"

The "New York Daily News" newspaper of December 21, 1956, carried an article captioned "Israel A 'True Friend' of US-Dewey." The article set out that Thomas E. Dewey called upon Americans to recognize Israel as our "true friend in the Middle East" at a testimonial dinner given John R. Crews last night by the Brooklyn Committee of the State of Israel Bonds Group. The article set out that more than 1,000 civic, community and religious leaders attended the dinner in the Hotel St. George where \$780,000 worth of bonds were sold in honor of Crews, who was described as the Republican leader of Brooklyn.

The Article stated that the former governor, featured speaker at the affair, said that if the existence of Israel were acknowledged by all Arab nations "much of the tension in that part of the world would certainly subside."

The Article continued that Brooklyn District Attorney Edward S. Silver, Chairman of the Bond Drive in Brooklyn, presented Crews with a silver plaque, engraved with a map of Israel.

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J. WALLACE LA PRADE; SA
[REDACTED]

This source was contacted by the writer on 12/21/56 and on 1/10/57. This source should be characterized as one who is in a position to furnish reliable information.

On 12/21/56 source stated she had not ever heard the name

[REDACTED] or any name similiar to this name. Source said

[REDACTED] JOSEPH RAFELLI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Source promised to be alert for any contact of RAFELLI

with [REDACTED]

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On 1/10/57 source advised she had never heard of anyone by the name of [REDACTED]

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On 1/10/57 source also advised she [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RAFELLI and anyone by the name

of [REDACTED] She pointed out at this time that RAFELLI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Source advised on 1/10/57 that THE DEVELOPMENT CORP. FOR ISRAEL aka "Bonds For Israel" is currently planning a large conference and bond promotion to be held in Miami, Florida. This conference is to be held around the 18th of February and [REDACTED] has gone to Miami to organize the conference.

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Source pointed out that there is a lot of new employees at "Bonds For Israel" but she does not come into contact with any of them and does not know whether they are from Israel.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

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Enclosed herewith are the original and seven copies
of a blank memorandum captioned "Bonds For Israel."

(S) The confidential informant mentioned in the
memorandum is [REDACTED]

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This information is being furnished for any
dissemination deemed necessary by the Bureau.

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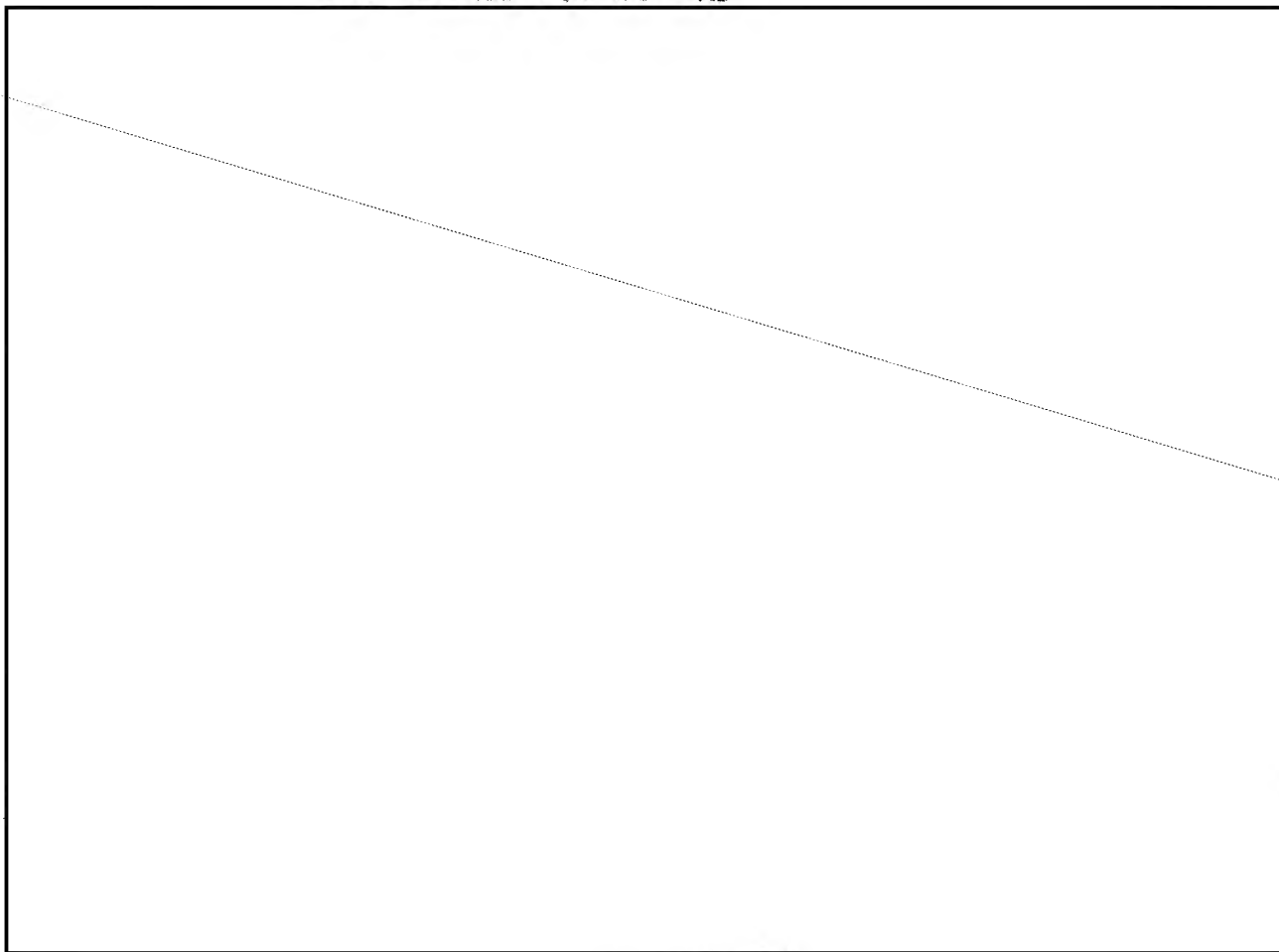
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New York 21, New York
February 5, 1957

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Re: "Bonds For Israel"

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- 1 - W.J. MC DONNELL (#1) [redacted]

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-339016). Date: 7/10/59
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-63077)
SUBJECT : [REDACTED] aka
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Re WFO letter, dated 4/8/59, and WFO airtel,
dated 6/3/59.

Referenced WFO letter pointed out that captioned
subject is a Washington, D. C. sales representative for the
Development Corporation for Israel, also known as "Bonds
for Israel"; that investigation indicates he was hired
for this position by Doctor JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, Executive Vice
President of the Development Corporation for Israel, 215 Fourth
Avenue, New York City.

Investigation conducted by the WFO indicates
that SCHWARTZ has been made aware of public information
relating to the past CP affiliations on the part of
[REDACTED] and up to date he has taken no action, within the
confines of his business position, relating to [REDACTED]
status as an employee.

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The WFO has requested that the NYO review its
indices for background information concerning Doctor
JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, to determine [REDACTED]
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The Development Corporation for Israel is located at 215 Fourth Avenue, New York City. The records of CSNY -1, a reliable commercial source who has furnished commercial information in the past, advised SA J. WALLACE LA PRADE on 7/3/56, that a report dated 6/9/55, indicates that the Development Corporation for Israel, 215 Fourth Avenue, New York City, was chartered in New York State, 3/21/55, for the purpose of selling bonds for the State of Israel. Original officers were ABRAHAM FEINBERG, President, JACK WEILER, Secretary and Treasurer and Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, Vice President.

Development Corporation for Israel; Registration Act, is the subject of a closed case of the NYO (Bufile 97-3038) (NY 97-1245). This organization was previously known as the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel.

The records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, New York State, New York City, as furnished 6/18/59, to IC [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] indicates that a drivers license issued in September, 1956 to JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ reflected a resident address at 275 Central Park West, New York City; a business address at the Development Corporation of Israel, 215 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and a description of SCHWARTZ as male, white, 5' 10", 175 pounds, brown eyes, black hair, and date of birth as 3/23/99.

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The records of the Board of Elections, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, checked by IC [REDACTED] on 6/23/59, indicates that in 1957, permanent registration for JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, 275 Central Park West, New York City, indicates that he resides in Apartment 13A; that he was born 3/24/99, in Russia, and that he was naturalized on his father's papers in 1913.

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The 1956 Signature Book maintained by the Board of Elections, indicates that JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ last registered in 1952 from the resident address 125 West 76th Street, New York City.

The records of the Board of Elections, permanent registration-1957, identify DORA SCHWARTZ, Apartment 13A, at 275 Central Park West, as married, in New York City and New York State 35 years, height 5' 5", hair brown, eyes brown, birth date 1/10/99, in Russia, and naturalized in 1937, SDNY.

The records of the Board of Elections, for the years 1956 through 1958 covering 275 Central Park West, indicates that JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ and DORA SCHWARTZ registered for one of the major political parties. No registration could be located for the year 1955 for either person.

Registrations covering the address 125 West 76th Street, New York City, indicates that DORA SCHWARTZ registered for one of the major political parties in 1948 and 1950. No registrations for DORA SCHWARTZ were noted for 1949, 1951, and 1952. No registrations were noted from 1948 through 1952, at the address 125 West 76th Street, New York City, for JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ. The NYO files contained further background information relating to JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ. This information was received directly from SCHWARTZ during panel type interviews of trans-Atlantic travelers conducted by the NYO at New York City, during World War II.

Pan American trip number 13-006 arrived at New York City, 11/28/43. Among the passengers who boarded the plane at Lisbon, Portugal, on 11/24/43, was one JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, who is believed to be identical with the above mentioned Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ. Memo contained

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in the files of the NYO indicates that he was traveling on United States Passport number 106 issued at Lisbon, 4/14/41, that he was born at Odessa, Russia, 3/23/99. He claimed derivative American citizenship under the naturalization of his father, ABRAHAM NATHAN SCHWARTZ, FDC Baltimore, Maryland-1912. He was identified as the European Chairman, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. He reportedly went to Paris, France, in May, 1940, and after the fall of France, he proceeded to Lisbon where he established headquarters for the administration for the relief of Jewish refugees. He gave as his residence 125 West 76th Street, New York City. The name of the interviewing agent was [REDACTED]

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Pan American flight 12-018 arrived at New York City 8/31/44, from Lisbon Portugal. Among the passengers interviewed by SA EDWARD W. DOOLEY was JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, holder of United States Passport number 34, issued by the United States Legation, Lisbon, Portugal, 4/11/44. On this arrival SCHWARTZ advised he was born at Nova, Odessa, Russia, 3/23/99. He identified himself as the European Director of the American Joint Distribution Committee, 270 Madison Avenue, New York City. He gave his residence as 125 West 76th Street, New York City, and stated that he had previously left the United States at New York City, 12/28/43, and in connection with his employment had traveled in Spain, England, North Africa, Egypt, Palestine and Turkey.

Pan American trip number 3-322 arrived at New York City, 6/11/45. Among the passengers interviewed by SA WILLIAM E. BREENE, was JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, born 3/23/99, at Nova, Odessa, Russia. He indicated that he had left the United States 11/6/44, as a special representative of the War Review Board and as a representative of the American-Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

It was noted that a censorship intercept in connection with the Alto case indicated that on 10/3/44, JACOB LANDAU wrote the USSR Embassy, Mexico City, and included a Jewish telegraphic agency news release dated

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9/15/44, at New York City, which release was an announcement that Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, a representative of the Joint Distribution Committee, was to be included in the delegation being sent by the UNRRA to Poland.

The NYO report of SA [REDACTED] 7/21/55, entitled, "ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE SERVICE, ESP-IS", (Bufile 65-58700) (WFO Origin 65-5284) (NY 65-15150) reflected that the 6/3/55 issue of "Israel Speaks" contained an article which indicated that ABRAHAM FEINBERG, President of Israel Speaks, Incorporated, since 1948, had been elected President of the Development Corporation for Israel, 5/22/55, and that other officers included Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, Executive Vice President.

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The report of SA FRANCIS J. GALLANT, dated 6/23/55, at New York, in the above mentioned Espionage-Internal Security case, reports that on 5/16/52, [REDACTED] admitted to SAS JAMES P. MARTIN and DONALD E. SHANNON that he had worked [REDACTED] in London, England, from December, 1949 to June, 1951, and that in May, 1952, he had been employed in the United States of America to promote the sale of Israeli Defense bonds.

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The same report indicates that on 5/6/55, SA J. WALLACE LA PRADE, learned through a pretext telephone call to the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, New York City, that [REDACTED] whose last known address was Paris, France, was then employed by "Bonds for Israel and Europe".

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The New York World Telegram, issue of 5/17/55, page 7, contained an announcement that a new organization known as the Development Corporation for Israel had opened offices in New York City, and that it had assumed the official responsibility for the sale of Israeli bonds in the United States and the free world. The new head of the organization was identified as being Doctor JOSEPH J.

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SCHWARTZ further described in the article as the Executive Vice-Chairman of United Jewish Appeal.

NY by letter to the Bureau, dated 1/12/40, in the case entitled, "Communist Party, USA; Registration Act" submitted the Bureau a group of books purchased by SA GEORGE J. STARR from the Fourth Avenue Book Shop, 122 Fourth Avenue, New York City.

Included was a book entitled, "For United Action in the Struggle Against Anti Semitism and Facism" published by the Jewish People's Committee, 186 Fourth Avenue, New York City. The book cover of this book included a list of sponsors of the Jewish People's Committee, among the sponsors listed were [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and a Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, then described as the Director, Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities. No further identification of this particular SCHWARTZ was noted, however, it is possible that he and the individual of interest to this letter are identical.

The indices of the NYO contained numerous references to JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ (NY 19-1) in connection with information received through the Bureau of Censorship, while monitoring overseas calls during World War II. These calls were either placed or received by JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ at Lisbon, Portugal, to or from the Joint Distribution Committee at New York City, and all of the calls monitored related to relief problems.

The NYO indices contained numerous references to the name JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ and JOSEPH SCHWARTZ. On the basis of background information presently available, a majority of these references have been termed as not being identical to Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ. Unidentified references of possible interest to instant matter include

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a reference to a JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, 13 Louisiana Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, as a signer of a CP Nominating Petition of 1942; to a JOSEPH SCHWARTZ of 3124 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, as a subscriber to the "Daily Worker"; to a JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, 5501 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, as a subscriber to "Jewish Life", and to a JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, 1865 East 22nd Street, Brooklyn, New York, as a singer of a CPNP in 1943.

Referenced WFO letter, 4/8/59, requested that the NYO submit its observations and recommendations to the WFO in connection with their suggested plan for

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Investigation, as reported by the WFO, has indicated that WFO sources at Washington, D. C., who have close personal and business interests in matters pertaining to Jewish activities and to the future of Israel [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] publicly reported past Communist affiliations. These sources have indicated to the WFO a complacency on the part of SCHWARTZ to take any administrative action against [REDACTED] or to discontinue his services with the Development Corporation for Israel because of this revelations.

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It is believed that if deemed of necessity and value to captined case, [REDACTED] at New York City for background information regarding [REDACTED] No conclusion could be made from a review of the information pertaining to SCHWARTZ, as presently available to the NYO [REDACTED]

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considered by the NYO. The apparent fact with respect to such an approach is that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Under such circumstances,

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The numerous international connections of SCHWARTZ which he apparently has, on the basis of information available to the NYO, including a possible association with the Israeli Intelligence Service and the possibility of his having had pro-Communist connections. the extent if any, not yet known [REDACTED]
that Doctor JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ [REDACTED]

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